LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Range Fires

DATE OF MEETING: June 9, 1997

DATE OF LOG ENTRY: June 16, 1997

PERSON SUBMITTING LOG: Linda Smith

LOCATION: East West Towers, Bethesda, MD

CPSC ATTENDEES:

Linda Smith, EHHA
William King, ESEE
James Hoebel, ES
Mai Ngo, ESEE
Hammad Malik, ESEE
Charles Smith, EC
Carolyn Meiers, ESHF

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES:

Conrad Mikulec, X-Tek Patricia Mikulec, X-Tek Sam Cristy, Product Safety Letter

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Mr. Mikulec, X-TEK, AUTO-EX, Inc., requested the meeting to discuss his products for range fire extinguishment. He began by showing a videotape that stressed the destructive nature of fire and demonstrated his product. Mr. Mikulec indicated that his products have been used in military housing. He now is working on products that will be lower in price and easier for consumers to install. The product is designed to be mounted in a range hood and dispense extinguishant directly to the range top fire. He stated that his product can be connected to both an alarm system and a range shut-off system. His current product would sell for approximately \$120 - \$150 retail and is UL listed. He hopes to have a newer, less expensive, product available this fall at places like Home Depot. He has a variety of models that will be available for a variety of range or kitchen configurations -- presence of range hood, lack of a range hood, microwave oven over the range. He wants to get range manufacturers to supply the range shut-off devices. Mr. Mikulec indicated that he has talked to the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers about his products but not to the range manufacturers directly. He said there is an industry association of extinguishment systems manufacturers that includes himself, Pem-All, and 21st Century Corp.

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